

### DIVISION OF UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS

**PROJECT UPDATES** 

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### **Three Division Projects/Initiatives**

- Operational Compliance Inspection Consistency
- Standardized Inspection Manual Revisions
- Outreach and Education

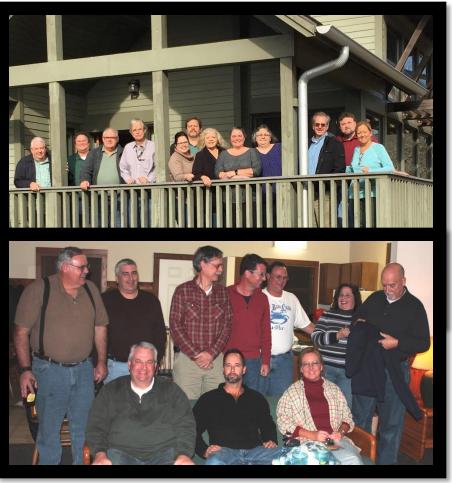




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# **Operational Compliance Inspection Consistency**

- COVID-19
- Quality Assurance
- Quality Control



### Operational Compliance Inspection Consistency (cont'd)

#### TRAINING

- EPA Certified Inspectors, Supervisors & Managers
- Standardized Inspection Manual & New Rules
   Proficiency Series
- Third–Party Webinars
- Individual Development
- Statewide Staff Meeting 1 Hour at a Time

#### The Current Rulemaking Process

- When the Division identifies the need for a new rule or amendments to existing rules, the Division should contact the Rulemaking Coordinator to discuss the proposed change. Important questions are:
  - (a) Is there a rulemaking further along the process that the new rulemaking may impact in an unintended way?
  - (b) What is the potential stakeholder interest in the rulemaking to determine how broadly to draft amendments?
  - (c) Will the rulemaking impact any existing cross references?
- The Division should obtain a Word version of the currently effective rule from the Rulemaking Coordinator and indicate the desired amendments or additions using the Track Changes function. Then, the Division can send the marked-up copy to the Rulemaking Coordinator for the development of a draft redline version of the rulemaking.
- 3. The Rulemaking Coordinator will work with the OGC Point of Contact and the Division to finalize the new rule or amendment language. Once the Division and OGC approve the rule language, the next step is to develop the Governor's Office's Prospective Rulemaking Review Responses. This is one of the steps that has recently been expanded. There are now 24 questions that are required to be answered as part of this step, as opposed to six questions under the previous justification.
- 4. The draft rulemaking and the Prospective Rulemaking Review Responses must then be reviewed and approved by the Commissioner and appropriate Executive Leadership Team member. OGC will schedule a meeting to review the documents with the Commissioner, who must determine that the rules are in the best interest of the state. This formal approval process is another change in the rulemaking process. Once approved by the Commissioner, the rulemaking documents are forwarded to the Governor's Office for review. OGC and the Division will together resolve any follow up questions the Governor's Office requires.
- 5. Once approved by the Governor's Office to file a rulemaking hearing notice, the Rulemaking Coordinator and the Division will complete Form SS-7037 as required by the Secretary of State and the Governor's Office. During the pandemic, the Governor's Office has instructed that rulemakings be preferably held in-person if it is considered safe with Webex as an alternative method. The rulemaking hearing will be by both methods simultaneously. If the Division is unable to have an in-person hearing, then the rulemaking hearing may continue to be held by Webex only.
- The rulemaking hearing notice must be filed with the Secretary of State at least 52 days prior the scheduled hearing date.
- 7. After the rulemaking hearing has been completed and the comment period closed, the Division will receive Form SS-7039 from the Rulemaking Coordinator for completion. In addition, the Division must provide the answers to nine questions in the information submitted the Government Operations Committees ("Committees") at the request of the Chair of the House Government Operations Committee.
- When Form SS-7039 has been completed and returned to the Rulemaking Coordinator, the Division's OGC Point of Contact will conduct a legal review of the rulemaking, followed by review by the Deputy General Counsel or a designated OGC Team Leader.



## **Operational Compliance Inspection Consistency (cont'd)**

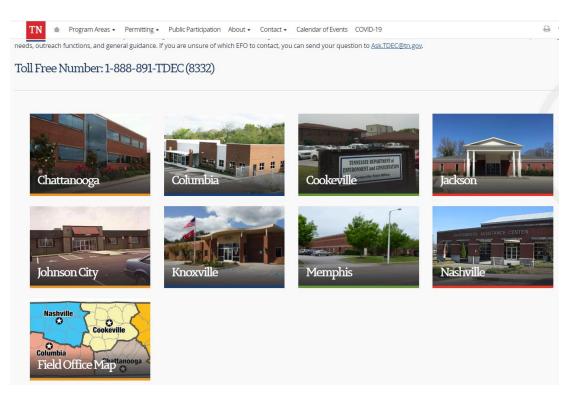
#### **JOB PLANS**

- Staff
- Managers
- Senior Management



#### **Outreach & Education**

- State Infrastructure Projects
- New Rules Pamphlet
- Inspections
- Tennessee Tank Talk
- Tank School
- Toolbox
- Webinars
  - Contracts / Vendors
  - Owners / Operators
- By Request
- Open House





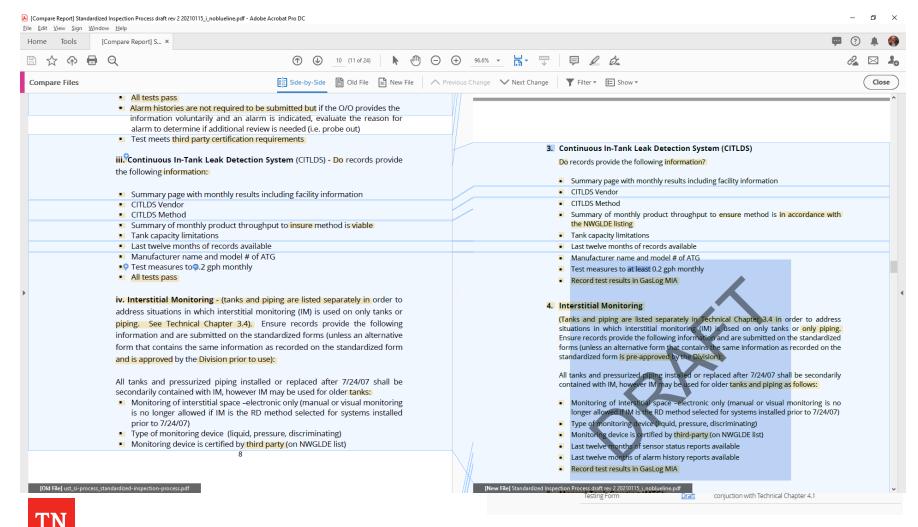
# Standardized Inspection Manual (SIM) Revisions

- 2015 SIM 1st Edition
- Purpose
- Audience
- Team
- Values
- Process

Standardized Inspection Manual	
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UST Reference Guide and	Mark Braswell, Rhonda Key
Owners Checklist	



### Standardized Inspection Manual (SIM) Revisions (cont'd)



## Standardized Inspection Manual (SIM) Revisions (cont'd)

- Encourage & Invite Public Participation Open to April 9, 2020
  - Board
  - Staff
  - UST Stakeholders
- Respond to Comments
- Finalize Summer 2021
- Final Board Approval

#### **Submit Written Comments to:**

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#### **QUESTIONS?**

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